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Subject:

Administrative Order Directing Compliance With Request for Access, Sauget

Area One, Rogers Cartage Property, Sauget, Illinois

The attached Administrative Order requires the Respondent, Rogers Cartage, to provide U.S. EPA and PRPs for the Sauget Area One Site, Solutia/Monsanto, entry and access to the Respondent's property in Sauget, Illinois. Access is required at this location to allow Solutia/Monsanto to conduct groundwater DNAPL samples accordance with an Administrative Order by Consent (AOC) signed by U.S. EPA and Solutia/Monsanto on January 21, 1999. The AOC requires the PRPs to complete investigation activities in all areas located within the Sauget Area 1 Site, including Rogers property, in order to define the nature and extent of contamination.

Under the AOC, Solutia/Monsanto are responsible for gaining all necessary access at the Site. Solutia has contacted Rogers for the purposes of gaining access to the property for the purposes of conducting the DNAPL study. However, Rogers has been reluctant to grant access to the site. Due to Solutia's inability to convince Rogers of the need for access, U.S. EPA was asked to intervene. After discussions with Rogers, it appears clear that Rogers will not provide access unless ordered by U.S. EPA to do so.

Your signature on the attached Order is needed to permit access for both U.S. EPA and Solutia/Monsanto to begin the DNAPL study at the Rogers property in Sauget Area One.

cc: Thomas Martin, ORC